

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : SCHREDL et al.  
Serial No. : 10/020,594  
Confirm. No. : 7149  
Filed : December 13, 2001  
For : CONTACT STRUCTURE FOR...  
Art Unit : 1725  
Examiner : Len TRAN  
Dated : December 2, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 (a)**

Sir:

The Office Action dated August 2, 2004 provided for a shortened statutory period for response of three months.

The shortened statutory period expired November 2, 2004.

Since the attached response is being filed within the first month pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) Applicant attaches a Credit Card Payment Form and respectfully requests the Examiner to charge the appropriate petition fee of \$55.00 (fee code 2251).

Respectfully submitted  
for Applicant(s),

By:

  
John James McGlew

Reg. No.: 31,903

For: MCGLEW AND TUTTLE, P.C.

JJM/DWK:tf

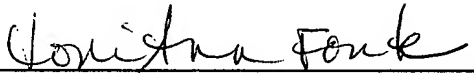
Enclosed: Credit Card Payment Form

DATED: December 2, 2004  
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SHOULD ANY OTHER FEE BE REQUIRED, THE PATENT AND  
TRADEMARK OFFICE IS HEREBY REQUESTED TO CHARGE SUCH FEE TO  
OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 13-0410.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING  
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BY:  DATE: December 2, 2004